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KENTUCKY DERBY WEEK STAKES NOMINATIONS CLOSE SATURDAY

Closing Includes Late Nominations to Longines Kentucky Oaks, Old Forester Bourbon Turf Classic

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Friday, Aug. 14, 2020) – Nominations for all Kentucky Derby Week stakes races and the late closing to the \$1.25 million Longines Kentucky Oaks (Grade I) and \$1 million Old Forester Bourbon Turf Classic (GI) are due on Saturday.

This years' Kentucky Derby Week, which will span Sept. 1 – 5, will include 18 stakes events worth \$9.85 million. The spectacular week of racing will include 14 graded stakes events, including five Grade I races that will be headlined by the \$3 million Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve on Saturday, Sept. 5 and Kentucky Oaks on Friday, Sept. 4.

Late nominations to the Longines Kentucky Oaks and Old Forester Bourbon Turf Classic will cost \$500. The Longines Kentucky Oaks had 120 nominations as of the first closing on Feb. 15 while the Old Forester Bourbon Turf Classic had 57 nominations.

Nominations can be made by calling the Churchill Downs racing office at 502-638-3825 or online: https://www.churchilldowns.com/horsemen/stakes/nomination-forms/.

2020 KENTUCKY DERBY WEEK STAKES SCHEDULE							
Day/Date	Running	Grade	Purse	Race	Age/Sex	Distance	Surface
Champions Day							
Tuesday, Sept. 1	2 nd		\$100,000	Champions Day Marathon Overnight Stakes presented by Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance	3&up	1 ½ M	Dirt
Wednesday, Sept. 2	10 th		\$150,000	Unbridled Sidney	3&up f/m	5 ½ F	Turf
Thurby Presented By Old Forester							
Thursday, Sept. 3	52 nd	III	\$200,000	Pocahontas	2yo f	1 M	Dirt
Thursday, Sept. 3	15 th		\$100,000	Opening Verse Overnight Stakes	3&up	1 M	Turf
Longines Kentucky Oaks Day							
Six stakes races cumulatively worth \$3 million							
Friday, Sept. 4	146 th	I	\$1,250,000	Longines Kentucky Oaks	3yo f	1 1/8 M	Dirt
Friday, Sept. 4	35 th	I	\$500,000	La Troienne presented by Oak Grove Gaming	4&up f/m	1 1/16 M	Dirt
Friday, Sept. 4	17 th	II	\$400,000	Alysheba presented by Sentient Jet	4&up	1 1/16 M	Dirt
Friday, Sept. 4	65 th	II	\$300,000	Eight Belles presented by TwinSpires.com	3yo f	7 F	Dirt
Friday, Sept. 4	36 th	II	\$300,000	Edgewood presented by Forcht Bank	3yo f	1 M	Turf
Friday, Sept. 4	26 th	II	\$250,000	Twin Spires Turf Sprint presented by Sysco	3&up	5 ½ F	Turf
Kentucky Derby Day Presented by Woodford Reserve							
	_			es races cumulatively worth \$6.2 million			
Saturday, Sept. 5	146 th	I	\$3,000,000	Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve	3yo	1 1/4 M	Dirt
Saturday, Sept. 5	34 th	I	\$1,000,000	Old Forester Bourbon Turf Classic	4&up	1 1/8 M	Turf
Saturday, Sept. 5	34 th	I	\$500,000	Derby City Distaff presented by Derby City Gaming	4&up f/m	7 F	Dirt
Saturday, Sept. 5	35 th	II	\$500,000	Longines Churchill Distaff Turf Mile	4&up f/m	1 M	Turf
Saturday, Sept. 5	96 th	II	\$500,000	Pat Day Mile presented by LG&E and KU	3yo	1 M	Dirt
Saturday, Sept. 5	29 th	II	\$500,000	American Turf presented by Smithfield	3yo	1 1/16 M	Turf
Saturday, Sept. 5	39th	III	\$200,000	Iroquois presented by Ford	2yo	1 M	Dirt